patrolling along the coast, strengthening of intelligence network and presence of local police in the coastal districts, etc.

Effect of Chemical Companies on Environment

2675. SHRI SURESH PRABHU: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have stopped to give permission to the chemical companies affecting the environment of Konkan Area, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) and (b) No, Sir. As per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 the Central Government examines such proposals for necessary clearance.

Unreserved Forests

2676. SHRI ANANTH KUMAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount provided by the Central Government for the development of forests in Karnataka and other States during the last three years till date, and

(b) the actual amount spent by each State during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) and (b) Details of the funds provided by the Ministry of Environment and Forests for afforestation activities during 1993-94 to 1995-96 and the expenditure incurred during 1993-94 and 1994-95 are given in the attached statement. State-wise The details of expenditure during 1995-96 are awaited from the States.

STATEMENT

Statement Showing the Financial Assistance Provided to the States/UTs During 1993-94 to 1995-96

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	State/UTs	1993-94		1994-95		1995-96	
		Released	Utilized	Released	Utilized	Released	Utilized*
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	459.87	381.85	275.40	315.69	434.61	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	117.40	108.31	132.54	129.73	163.38	
3.	Assam	126.84	130.09	143.28	156.94	213.61	
4.	Bihar	574.32	388.00	105.00	110.86	106.15	
5.	Goa	21.03	20.13	22.55	21.15	20.80	
6.	Gujarat	216.95	361.74	550.24	319.42	346.03	
7.	Haryana	302.80	496.22	746.61	478.29	517.51	
8.	Himachal Pradesh	384.31	568.54	629.96	437.32	458.68	
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	338.10	309.52	443.98	515.04	575.17	
10.	Karnataka	514.46	471.69	427.72	501.94	647.77	
11.	Kerala	25.00	21.07	209.47	89.93	114.35	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	799.36	985.15	1033.45	1013.32	822.31	
13.	Maharashtra	104.04	138.60	95.97	169.59	246.77	
14.	Manipur	230.75	203.30	297.51	241.15	[illegible]1.00	
15.	Meghalaya	370.61	360.81	382.02	276.23	91.08	
16.	Mizoram	486.80	528.24	526.57	502.68	431.14	
17.	Nagaland	57.05	38.50	73.15		29.10	
18.	Orissa	638.46	207.50	404.22	367.89	210.00	
19.	Punjab	274.85	237.05	345.10	235.40	502.55	
20.	Rajasthan	955.46	1041.31	1009.77	816.52	804.88	
21.	Sikkim	397.38	340.58	455.62	501.61	449.46	
22.	Tamilnadu	113.84	138.82	176.20	131.98	208.14	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
23	Tripura	70.53	97.21	113.82	93.40	138.05	
24	Uttar Pradesh	529.08	566.61	758.71	507.55	778.10	
25	West Bengal	608.39	483.00	491.76	455.14	331.94	
	Total	8717.68	8623.84	9850.62	8388.57	9142.58	

* = Utilization figures from States not received

Managing Committee of Super Bazar

2677 SHRI I D SWAMI Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state

(a) the duties and functions of the Managing Committee of Super Bazar

(b) whether the Managing Committee of the Super Bazar is interfering into the day-do-day working of the Super Bazar and

(c) if so, the action proposed to be taken by the Government to check the interference?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV): (a) The powers of the Board of Directors (Managing Committee) of the Super Bazar have been enumerated in Clause 26 of their Bye-laws registered under the Multi State Cooperative Societies Act 1984. They perform their duties and functions accordingly.

(b) and (c) It has been reported by the Super Bazar that the Board of Directors (Managing Committee) do not interfere in the day to day working.

Crop Science Conference

2678 SHRI UDAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) whether any International Crop Science Conference has been organised at New Delhi in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the objectives of the conference;

(c) the details of suggestions/deliberations made at the Conference; and

(d) the details of steps proposed to be taken by the Government to implement the same?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The objective of the International Crop Science Congress was to assemble leaders of Crop Science Research from across the world and young scientists together to share knowledge and research technologies to impinge upon the endeavour of increasing Crop Productivity in an ecologically acceptable, sustainable and environmentally safe manner. This was achieved by developing a scientific programme which included five plenary lectures and eleven symposia where about 65 invited speakers made presentations, poster presentations by over 800 scientists and six Working Group discussions on topics of scientific and societal relevance.

(c) Technical suggestions abounded in the presentations made by the Plenary and Symposia speakers. Each session was accompanied by wide ranging discussions from the floor. The proceedings of the Congress will be brought out in print and will contain the details of the presentations and discussions. To cite one of the numberous examples is the call for increased Public and Private investment in infrastructure, such as road and storage facilities to cater to increasing demands of improved crop production. There was a crying need, for mechanization as well as farm inputs, like seeds implements fuel and power to enable farmer to fulfil the world's needs for food and fibre. An example of an experimental recommendation is interspecific hybridization resistance to the deadly disease phylloxera of grapes.

(d) The printed proceedings containing the suggestions and recommendations of the Congress will be forwarded to scientific organisations of the Country and will be received by the Government for appropriate follow-up action.

Branches of Super Bazar

2679 DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Super Bazar Cooperative Store Limited has opened its branches outside Delhi;

(b) if so, the names of places where such branches have been opened/proposed to be opened, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up these branches in Mizoram in the near future;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, reasons therefor?